Eriday, August 9, 1968

External Trade: May exports rose in value to $\$ 1,175,625,000$ from $\$ 1,039,222,000$ in
May 1967 and $\$ 909,967,000$ in the 1966 month. Exports for the cumulative period
also rose to $\$ 5,260,003,000$ from $\$ 4,469,817,000$ in 1967 and $\$ 3,842,283,000$ in
1966 (page 2)

Transportation: During May, $4,039,868$ passengers were carried by 49 inter-city and rural bus companfes, while $4,497,886$ passengers were transported by 45 companies in May 1967, a decrease of $10.2 \%$.
(page 3)
Mining: The value of gold production for May, calculated at the average price pald by the Royal Canadian Mint, was $\$ 9,067,613$. May gold production amounted to 240,354 troy ounces, compared to 255,579 in May 1967.
(page 5)
Labour: Average weekly wages in manufacturing showed little change from April. An increase of 1 cent in average hourly earnings was offset by a decline of 0.1 hours in average weekly hours.
(page 5)
Services: Combined operations of power laundries and dry cleaning and dyeing plants received $\$ 253,311,429$ in 1966 , an increase of $11.8 \%$ from 1965. Employees in 1966 numbered 35,433 and received $\$ 116,681,656$ in salaries and wages. (page 6)

Merchandising: Canadian department stores reported total sales of $\$ 166,592,000$ during May. Total sales rose by $11.7 \%$ over the same month last year, slightly exceeding the $10.3 \%$ increase in April.
(page 6)
Manufacturing: During the week ended August 3, steel ingot production totalled 195,858 tons, a decrease of $4.5 \%$ from the preceding week's total of 205,051 tons. Production for the comparable week in 1967 was 186,844 tons.
(page 10 )
Agriculture and Food: Total exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat from Canada, the United States, Australia and Argentina during the August-May period of the current crop year decreased $14 \%$ to $1,159.1$ million bushels from $1,341.0$ million exported during the same period in the previous crop year.
(page 10)

1. Commodity Exports May exports rose in value to $\$ 1,175,625,000$ from $\$ 1,039,222,000$ in May 1967 and $\$ 909,967,000$ in the 1966 month. Exports for the cumulative period also rose to $\$ 5,260,003,000$ from $\$ 4,469,817,000$ in 1967 and $\$ 3,842,283,000$ in 1966.

Exports

2. Commodity Imports Commodity imports increased in value to $\$ 1,134,922,000$ in May from $\$ 1,039,149,000$ and $\$ 913,843,000$ in the 1967 and 1966 months respectively. In the January to May period, the value of imports increased to $\$ 5,026,280,000$ from $\$ 5,533,717,000$ in the 1967 period and $\$ 3,893,313,000$ in the 1966 period.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | J anuary | to May |
|  | 1967 | 1968 | 1967 | 1968 |
|  |  | thous | dollars |  |
| By Country |  |  |  |  |
| United States | 776,536 | 846,810 | 3,360,139 | 3,763,152 |
| United Kingdom | 65,863 | 61,721 | 280,369 | 287,004 |
| Venezuela | 12,158 | 30,968 | 86,484 | 140,625 |
| Japan | 26,238 | 30,858 | 115,548 | 128,272 |
| Federal Republic of |  |  |  |  |
| Germany | 22,858 | 26,972 | 95,949 | 111,102 |
| France. | 10,203 | 10,727 | 46,509 | 47,301 |
| Italy. | 10,970 | 8,990 | 42,360 | 43,567 |
| Sweden | 5,782 | 6,631 | 31,080 | 31,524 |
| Mexico | 3,915 | 6,341 | 15,669 | 26,667 |
| Australia | 5,113 | 5,773 | 19,284 | 26,397 |
| By Commodity |  |  |  |  |
| Motor vehicle parts, except engines .... | 89,867 | 127,724 | 410,054 | 513,408 |
| Closed sedans, new. | 73,414 | 100,160 | 292,934 | 448,495 |
| Crude petroleum | 19,073 | 28,450 | 139,219 | 161,463 |
| Motor vehicle engines .. | 13,672 | 24,489 | 55,422 | 88,135 |
| Trucks, truck tractors and chassis ........... | 13,543 | 20,270 | 51,265 | 68,709 |
| Coal | 18,039 | 19,402 | 29,274 | 33,804 |
| Afrcraft, complete with engines | 7,089 | 16,303 | 35,922 | 80,835 |
| Fuel ofl ................. | 8,859 | 13,896 | 35,182 | 47,460 |
| Wheel tractors new ..... | 18,465 | 11,700 | 71,467 | 59,604 |
| Motor vehicle engine parts .................. | 7,936 | 11,321 | 38,788 | 47,313 |

TRANSPORTATION
3. Passenger Buses During May, $4,039,868$ passengers were carried by 49 intercity and rural bus companies while $4,497,886$ passengers were transported by 45 companies in May 1967, a decrease of $10.2 \%$.

Vehicle miles totalled $9,183,139$ compared to $10,459,181$ in May 1967. The consumption of gasoline and diesel ofl amounted to 90,259 and $1,145,482$ gallons, respectively, compared with 124,009 and $1,281,270$ gallons used in the corresponding month last year.

Total operating revenue amounted to $\$ 5,362,758$, a decrease of $16.1 \%$ from the $\$ 6,388,404$ in the 1967 month.

Twenty-four common carrier rallways in Canada reported operating revenues of $\$ 126,373,403$ for the month of March 1968, down 2.6 per cent from the previous year month, according to an advance release of data that will be contained in the March issue of the D.B.S. report "Rallway Operating Statistics". Railway operating expenses at $\$ 117,665,689$ were down 4.4 per cent resulting in a net operating income of $\$ 8,707,714$ compared to one of $\$ 6,628,388$ recorded one year earlier.

Railway Operating Revenues, Expenses, and Net Income

## March 1968

|  | Tutal 24 Railways $\$$ | C.N.R. | C.P.R. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating Revenues | 126,373,403 | 62,822,688 | 50,120,649 |
| Freight | 106,275,524 | 50,967,679 | 43,110,864 |
| Passenger | 4,410,932 | 3,071,226 | 1,061,084 |
| Payments relating to the National Transportation Act | 7,924,766 | 4,587,620 | 3,226,130 |
| Operating Expenses | 117,665,689 | 60,160,095 | 45,125,519 |
| Road and Equipment Maintentance | 46,249,175 | 25,466,278 | 15,970,019 |
| Transportation | 44,402,938 | 22,787,140 | 17,472,707 |
| Net Income | 8,707,714 | 2,662,593 | 4,995,130 |
| Operating Ratio | 93.11 | 95.76 | 90.03 |

A total of 18.7 million tons of revenue freight was handled by rallways in Canada during March, down $2.5 \%$ from the comparable 1967 month. The number of tonmiles generated during the month increased to $7,792 \mathrm{million}$ from $7,275 \mathrm{mlllion}$ and the average haul rose to 417 miles from 380 miles . Average miles of road operated (first main track) rose to 44,050 from 43,908 . The number of passengers carried increased $3.0 \%$ to 1,986 thousand. Commuter traffic increased 13.3\% (principally due to GO commuter services) while non-commuter movements decreased $13.0 \%$. The length of journey of all passengers averaged 117 miles compared to 115 in the earlier year. March raflway employment, reflecting a downard trend, fell to 117,993 persons, down $9.0 \%$ from 1967 when 129,668 people were employed in the industry.
5. Carloadings During the week ended July 21, revenue freight carloadings were down $4.5 \%$ to 74,030 from the previous year period. Commodities moved in fewer cars included; wheat, 5,372 (versus 7,024 in 1967); "other" grain, $1,148(2,548)$; fron ore, $10,558(11,036)$; miscellaneous carload commodities, 7,684 $(8,182)$ and merchandise in less than carload lots, $3,959(4,860)$. More cars were required for such items as building sand, gravel and crushed stone, $3,485(2,584)$ and fertilizers, 1,308 (881). Cars received from both Canadian and United States rail connections rose $5.5 \%$ to 21,764 cars and piggyback loadings increased $6.5 \%$ to 3,647 cars.

From the beginning of the year to July 21, loadings declined $3.0 \%$ to 2,054,644 from the preceding year. Commodities reflecting reduced activity included: wheat, 122,042 (as against 168,784 in 1967); "other" grain, 39,199 ( 60,967 ); newsprint paper, $61,807(73,815)$; miscellaneous carload commodities, $219,611(235,883)$ and merchandise in less than carload lots, $106,252(138,598)$. Among commodities requiring more cars were: fron ore, 277,758 ( 232,066 ); automoblles, auto trucks and parts, $54,016(42,835)$ and fertilizers, $65,551(54,283)$. Cars received from connections dropped $1.9 \%$ to 696,502 and piggyback loadings declined slightly to 97,479 cars.

MINING
6. Gold Production The value of gold production for May, calculated at the average price paid by the Royal Canadian Mint, was $\$ 9,067,613$. May gold production amounted to 240,354 troy ounces, compared to 255,579 in May 1967. Production for the five months ended May totalled 1,151,534 troy ounces, a decrease from the $1,270,204 \mathrm{in}$ the same period of last year.

## LABOUR

7. Man-Hours and Hourly Earnings May 1968 Average weekly wages in manufacturing showed little change from April, according to data soon to be published in the Dominion Bureau of Statistics report "Man-Hours and Hourly Earnings". An increase of 1 cent in average hourly earnings was offset by a decline of 0.1 hours in average weekly hours. Compared with May, 1967, average weekly hours were 0.3 hours higher and average hourly earnings were 19 cents higher.

In mining, average weekly wages showed almost no change from April with average weekly hours remaining unchanged and average hourly earnings falling by 1 cent. In the year-over-year comparison, average weekly hours were 0.2 hours lower and average hourly earnings were 21 cents higher.

In construction, average weekly wages declined slightly from $\$ 134.35$ in April to $\$ 133.78$ in May as a 0.3 hour increase in rverage weekly hours was offset by a 4 cent decline in average hourly earnings. The decline in hourly earnings was largely the result of seasonal increases in employment of lower-paid workers, especially in the engineering component. Compared with May of last year, average weekly hours were 0.6 hours lower and average hourly earnings were 16 cents higher.

|  | Average Weekly Hours |  |  | Average Hourly Earnings |  |  | Average Weekly Wages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { April } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { May } \\ & 1968 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { April } \\ 1968 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Anr11 } \\ 1968 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1967 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
|  | number |  |  | dollars |  |  | dollars |  |  |
| Manufacturing | 40.6 | 40.7 | 40.3 | 2.57 | 2.56 | 2.38 | 104.42 | 104.28 | 96.06 |
| Durables | 41.3 | 41.4 | 40.8 | 2.78 | 2.77 | 2.56 | 114.76 | 114.65 | 104.23 |
| Non-Durables | 39.9 | 39.9 | 39.8 | 2.36 | 2.35 | 2.21 | 94.13 | 93.98 | 87.86 |
| Mining ..... | 41.8 | 41.8 | 42.0 | 3.03 | 3.04 | 2.82 | 126.89 | 126.87 | 118.29 |
| Construction | 40.6 | 40.3 | 41.2 | 3.29 | 3.33 | 3.13 | 133.78 | 134.35 | 128.67 |
| Building | 38.6 | 39.3 | 39.7 | 3.40 | 3.40 | 3.19 | 131.24 | 133.50 | 126.71 |
| Engineering | 44.5 | 42.7 | 44.2 | 3.12 | 3.19 | 3.00 | 138.81 | 136.31 | 132.62 |

The index number ( $1961=100$ ) of average hourly earnings in electrical industrial equipment in May was 130.5.

June 1968 Preliminary estimates for June indicate that the durable goods component of manufacturing showed a decrease of 0.7 hours in average weekly wages and a 2 cents decrease in average hourly earnings. Other changes were slight. Further industry and area detall other than that given in the table below are not yet avallable.

|  | Average Weekly Hours |  |  | Average Hourly Earnings |  |  | Average Weekly Wages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | June | May | June | June | May | June | June | May | June |
|  | 1968 | 1968 | 1967 | 1968 | 1968 | 1967 | 1968 | 1968 | 1967 |
| Manufacturing | 40.3 | 40.6 | 40.6 | 2.57 | 2.57 | 2.39 | 103.38 | 104.42 | 97.13 |
| Durables | 40.6 | 41.3 | 41.1 | 2.76 | 2.78 | 2.57 | 112.22 | 114.76 | 105.65 |
| Non-Durables | 40.0 | 39.9 | 40.1 | 2.37 | 2.36 | 2.21 | 94.65 | 94.13 | 88.77 |
| Mining | 41.8 | 41.8 | 42.3 | 3.03 | 3.03 | 2.83 | 126.76 | 126.89 | 119.78 |
| Construction | 40.8 | 40.6 | 42.4 | 3.25 | 3.29 | 3.08 | 133.11 | 133.78 | 130.66 |
| Building | 38.3 | 38.6 | 39.8 | 3.40 | 3.40 | 3.15 | 130.80 | 131.24 | 125.49 |
| Engineering | 46.0 | 44.5 | 47.1 | 3.03 | 3.12 | 2.97 | 138.86 | 138.81 | 140.14 |

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8. Power Laundries, Dry Cleaning and Dyeing Plants Combined operations of power laundries and dry cleaning and dyeing plants received $\$ 253,311,429$ in 1966, an increase of $11.8 \%$ from 1965 , according to an advance release of data that will be contained in the 1966 issue of the annual DBS report "Power Laundries, Dry Cleaning and Dyeing Plants". Employees in 1966 numbered 35,433 and received $\$ 116,681,656$ in salaries and wages. Number of business locations increased by 22 plants to 2,470 from 2,248 in the preceding year, while the cost of materlals and supplies used advanced to $\$ 24,990,210$ from $\$ 22,650,779$.

The 363 power laundries operating in 1966 reported receipts of $\$ 99,421,169$, up $10.9 \%$ from the preceding year's total of $\$ 89,689,808$ reported by 352 plants. Salarles and wages pald to 14,054 employees amounted to $\$ 46,350,537$, an increase from the previous year's figure of $\$ 42,213,066$. In 1966 operating expenses of power laundries aggregated $\$ 92,327,094$ which was $92.9 \%$ of total receipts as compared to $91.6 \%$ in 1965.

Receipts of 2,107 dry cleaning and dyeing plants in 1966 ( 1,896 in 1965) were $\$ 153,890,260$, up by $12.4 \%$ from 1965. Salaries and wages pald to 21,379 employees in 1966 totalled $\$ 70,331,119$ versus $\$ 62,380,312$ in the preceding year. Operating expenses of dry cleaning and dyeing plants in 1966 rose $12.5 \%$ to $\$ 137,832,748$, while the ratio of operating expenses to receipts remained virtually unchanged at $89.6 \%$ compared with 89.5\% in 1965.

MERCHANDLSLNG
9. Department Store Sales

During the week ended July 13, department store sales rose in Canada by $8.4 \%$ over the corresponding week last year, with regional changes as follows: Atlantic Provinces, $-0.7 \%$; Quebec, $-5.2 \%$; Ontario, $+10.5 \%$; Manitoba, $+22.8 \%$; Saskatchewan, $+21.0 \%$; Alberta, $+10.4 \%$ and British Columbia $+11.4 \%$.
10. Department Stores

Caradian department stores reported total sales of $\$ 166,592,000$ during May, 1968, according to an advance release of data to be publisned in the May issue of "Department Store Sales and Stocks". Total sales rose during May by $11.7 \%$ over the same month last year, slightly exceeding the $10.3 \%$ increase in April. In the current month, sales of toys and games rose by $25.5 \%$; women's and girls' hosiery, by $21.7 \%$ food and kindred products, by $20.0 \%$; and housewares and small electrical appliances, by $18.0 \%$. Other large increases were recorded in tolletries, cosmetics and drugs; men's furnishings; women's and misses' sportswear; and hardware, paints and wallpaper. During May, declines were recorded in furs (30.3\%); 11nens and domestics (2.4\%); and millinery ( $1.7 \%$ )

Production and Consumption of Rubber

| Periodicity | Production |  |  |  | Consumption |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Natural rubber | Synthetic rubber | Reclaimed rubber | Total | Natural rubber | Synthetic rubber | Reclaimed rubber | Total |
|  | '000 1b |  |  |  | '000 1b |  |  |  |
| Month of: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| June 1968 . | - | 34,741 | 2,868 | 37,609 | 6,678 | 16,952 | 3,081 | 26,711 |
| June 1967 . | - | 35,497 | 2,934 | 38,431 | 8,925 | 20,865 | 3,509 | 33,299 |
| \% change ..... | - | -2.1 | - 2.3 | -2.1 | -25.2 | -18.8 | -12.2 | -19.8 |
| 6 months ended: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| June 1968 .... | - | 225,039 | 17,298 | 242,337 | 51,076 | 117,048 | 19,321 | 187,445 |
| June 1967 . | - | 222,453 | 14,932 | 237,385 | 50,476 | 118,966 | 20,752 | 190,194 |
| \% change ..... | - | $+1.2$ | +15.8 | + 2.1 | + 1.2 | - 1.6 | -6.9 | - 1.5 |

12. Census of Manufactures, 1966 The following summarized statistics will appear later in detail in regular publications of the Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division.

Stamp and Stencil (Rubber and Metal) Manufacturers

| Selected Principal Statistics | 1964 | 1965 | 1966p | \% change <br> 1966/1965 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Establishments ................. No. | 68 | 69 | 72 | $+4.3$ |
| Manufacturing Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Production and related workers .. No. | 610 | 639 | 777 | $+21.6$ |
| Man-hours paid .................. '000 | 1,330 | 1,351 | 1,663 | +23.1 |
| Wages ............................ \$'000 | 2,361 | 2,536 | 3,186 | +25.6 |
| Value of shipments .............. \$'000 | 7,749 | 8,406 | 9,777 | +16.3 |
| Value added ...................... ${ }^{\text {' }} 0000$ | 5,281 | 5,744 | 7,086 | $+23.4$ |
| Total Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Total employees ................ No. | 876 | 915 | 1,067 | +16.6 |
| Total salaries and wages ........ \$'000 | 3,828 | 4,054 | 5,019 | +23.8 |
| Total value added ................ \$'000 | 5,633 | 6,124 | 7,872 | +28.5 |

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Wool Cloth M111s

| Selected Principal Statistics | 1964 | 1965 | 1966p | \% change $1966 / 1965$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Establishments .................. No. | 54 | 53 | 48 | - 9.4 |
| Manufacturing Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Production and related workers .. No. | 6,134 | 6,113 | 5,766 | - 5.7 |
| Man-hours paid ................... '000 | 13,950 | 14,045 | 13,225 | - 5.8 |
| Wages . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ${ }^{\prime} 000$ | 20,316 | 21,275 | 21,680 | + 1.9 |
| Value of shipments ............... \$'000 | 95,267 | 103,180 | 108,703 | $+5.4$ |
| Value added . ..................... \$'000 | 43,838 | 47,856 | 50,901 | $+6.4$ |
| Total Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Total employees ................. No. | 7,086 | 7,093 | 6,757 | - 4.7 |
| Total salaries and wages ........ \$'000 | 25,892 | 27,330 | 27,705 | $+1.4$ |
| Total value added .............. \$'000 | 43,995 | 48,091 | 51,022 | $+6.1$ |

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Fibre Preparing Mills

| Selected Principal Statistics | 1964 | 1965 | 1966p | \% change 1966/1965 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Establishments ................. No. | 33 | 31 | 31 | - |
| Manufacturing Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Production and related workers .. No. | 734 | 789 | 723 | -8.4 |
| Man-hours paid . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ' 000 | 1,682 | 1,764 | 1,611 | -8.7 |
| Wages ........................... ${ }^{\prime}$ '000 | 2,726 | 2,981 | 2,909 | - 2.4 |
| Value of shipments .............. \$'000 | 17,594 | 18,260 | 17,993 | - 1.5 |
| Value added ...................... ${ }^{\text {'0 }} 000$ | 6,736 | 7,055 | 7,447 | + 5.6 |
| Total Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Total employees ................ No. | 864 | 930 | 855 | - 8.1 |
| Total salaries and wages ........ \$'000 | 3,631 | 3,922 | 3,923 | - |
| Total value added . . . . . . . . . . . . \$'000 | 6,778 | 7,101 | 7,455 | $+5.0$ |

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Carpet, Mat and Rug Industry

| Selected Principal Statistics | 1964 | 1965 | 1966p | \% change 1966/1965 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Establishments ................. No. | 21 | 25 | 32 | + 28.0 |
| Manufacturing Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Production and related workers.. No. | 1,927 | 2,721 | 3,015 | $+10.8$ |
| Man-hours pald . ................. '000 | 4,263 | 5,786 | 6,385 | $+10.4$ |
| Wages .............................. . ${ }^{\text {' }}$ '000 | 6,586 | 9,793 | 11,949 | $+22.0$ |
| Value of shipments .............. \$'000 | 53,049 | 79,882 | 96,132 | + 20.3 |
| Value added ..................... \$'000 | 20,408 | 33,465 | 37,800 | $+13.0$ |
| Total Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Total employees ................ No. | 2,351 | 3,335 | 3,715 | $+11.4$ |
| Total salaries and wages ........ \$'000 | 9,207 | 13,520 | 16,335 | $+20.8$ |
| Total value added ............... \$'000 | 20,534 | 33,823 | 37,828 | $+11.8$ |

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| Selected Principal Statistics | 1964 | 1965 | 1966p | \% change 1966/1965 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Establishments . . ............... No. | 11 | 14 | 16 | $+14.3$ |
| Manufacturing Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Production and related workers .. No. | 51 | 73 | 129 | + 76.7 |
| Man-hours paid .................. '000 | 107 | 152 | 260 | $+71.0$ |
| Wages ............................. ${ }^{\text {S }}$ '000 | 130 | 207 | 356 | + 72.0 |
| Value of shipments .............. \$'000 | 649 | 852 | 1,748 | +105.2 |
| Value added . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ${ }^{\text {S }}$ '000 | 360 | 471 | 888 | +88.5 |
| Total Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Total employees ................ No. | 59 | 87 | 155 | + 78.2 |
| Total salaries and wages ........ \$'000 | 168 | 281 | 508 | + 80.1 |
| Total value added .............. ${ }^{\prime}$ '000 | 359 | 468 | 885 | +89.1 |

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Cotton and Jute Bag Industry

| Selected Principal Statistics | 1964 | 1965 | 1966p | $\begin{array}{r} \text { \% change } \\ 1966 / 1965 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Establishments ................. No. | 30 | 31 | 29 | - 6.46 |
| Manufacturing Activity | 918 |  |  |  |
| Production and related workers . No. |  | 897 | 870 | - 3.02 |
| Man-hours paid . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . '000 | 1,831 | 1,864 | 1,812 | - 2.79 |
| Wages ......................... $\$^{\prime} 000$ | 2,475 | 2,591 | 2,743 | + 5.86 |
| Value of shipments ............... \$'000 | 30,848 | 31,189 | 33,324 | $+6.84$ |
| Value added ...................... ${ }^{\text {'0 }} 000$ | 7,387 | 7,568 | 8,185 | $+8.15$ |
| Total Activity |  |  |  |  |
| Total employees .................. No. | 1,086 | 1,081 | 1,058 | - 2.13 |
| Total salaries and wages ........ \$'000 | 3,765 | 3,922 | 4,127 | $+5.22$ |
| Total value added ............... \$'000 | 7,722 | 8,328 | 8,686 | + 4.29 |

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13. Steel Ingots During the week ended August 3, steel ingot production totalled 195,858 tons, a decrease of $4.5 \%$ from the preceding week's total of 205,051 tons. Production for the comparable week in 1967 was 186,844 tons. The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1957-1959 of 96,108 equalling 100 was 204 in the current week, 213 a week earlier and 194 one year ago.
14. Veneers and Plywoods June production of veneers amounted to 167,255,000 square feet, a decrease of $4 \%$ from the June 1967 production of $175,079,000$ square feet. The year-te-date production totalled $999,741,000$ square feet, compared to $983,745,000$ in the 1967 period. Plywood production in June fell by $2 \%$ to $200,512,000$ square feet from $205,366,000$ square feet. Production for the six-month period came to $1,152,944,000$ square feet, compared with $1,152,527,000$ square feet in the 1967 period. Shipments, excluding those to veneer and plywood plants in Canada, rose by $2 \%$ in June to $215,171,000$ square feet from $211,893,000$, while shipments for the year to date totalled $1,254,498,000$ square feet $(1,142,617,000$ in 1967).
15. Pulpwood and Wood Residue Roundwood produced in June rose by $6 \%$ to $1,687,903$ cunits from the June 1967 production of $1,591,928$ cunits. Roundwood and wood residue consumed amounted to $1,886,530$ cunfts, an increase of $42 \%$ over last June's figure of $1,331,691$ and closing inventory came to $10,657,356$ cunits, $9 \%$ above the 1967 month's $9,763,736$. Receipts of wood residue climbed $36 \%$ to 556,756 cunits from 408,386 in June 1967.
16. Malor Anpliances - June 1968

Total Exports | Stocks at |
| :---: |
| end of month |

Canada sales

|  | number of units |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Refrigerators (domestic) | 36,558 | 1,345 | 92,115 |
| Home and farm freezers.. | 14,008 | 126 | 30,865 |
| Washing mechines - |  |  |  |
| Automatic | 15,689 | 9 | 43,683 |
| Conventional | 15,616 | 2,094 | 30,018 |
| Clothes dryers - |  |  |  |
| Electric | 9,979 | 3 | 37,464 |
| Gas | 539 | - | 3,583 |

## AGRICULTURE \& FOOD

17. Barley Malt Use of barley malt in the production of beer during June, 1968 amounted to $44,266,855 \mathrm{lb}$, compared to $51,797,482 \mathrm{ib}$. in June 1967, a decrease of $14.5 \%$.
18. Wheat Total exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat from Canada, the United States, Australia and Argentina during the August-May period of the current crop year decreased $14 \%$ to $1,159.1$ million bushels from $1,341.0 \mathrm{~m} 11110 \mathrm{n}$ exported during the same period in the previous crop year. However, this year's exports were $8 \%$ above the ten-year (1955-56-- 1965-66) average of $1,076.7 \mathrm{million}$. United States and Australian exports were higher this year, while those of Canada and Argentina were down sharply. Supplies held by the above four exporters at June 1 for export and carry-over at the end of their respective crop years increased by $12 \%$ to $1,588.3 \mathrm{million}$ bushels from the $1,418.9 \mathrm{million}$ at the same time a year ago. Smaller supplies in Australia were more than offset by increases in the United States, Canada and Argentina.

The 1967 wheat crop in Canada, at 592.9 million bushels, is a decline of $28 \%$ from the record outturn of 827.3 million in 1966. At the same time, carryover stocks climbed by $37 \%$ from 420.1 million at July 31,1966 to 576.8 milifon in 1967. After deducting 160.0 million for anticipated domestic requirements, estimated supplies avallable for export and carryover during 1967-68 amount to 1,009.7 million bushels, $8 \%$ lower than the $1,092.1$ milifon in 1966-67. Exports of wheat and flour in terms of wheat equivalent came to 249.7 million bushels during the August-May period of the current crop year, compared with last year's 428.9 mllli ion and the ten-year average of 309.3 million. lotal primary deliveries of wheat (both east and west) up to June 19 of the current crop year came to 387.2 million bushels, compared to the 526.3 million marketed during the same period last year. The total visible supply of Canadian wheat at June 19 represented increases of $34 \%$ and $44 \%$ respectively, over their comparable levels of 318.7 million bushels in 1967 and 296.2 million in 1966.
19. Crop and Summarfallow Acreages, Canada The preliminary estimates of 1968 crop acreages indicate that Canadian farmers seeded 29.4 million acres to all classes of wheat, a decrease of $2 \%$ from the 1967 level; 8.8 million scres to oats, an increase of $5 \%$, and 8.8 million acres to barley, an increase of $9 \%$ from 1967. Flax seedings increased by $49 \%$ to 1.5 million acres. Rapeseed at 1,052,000 acres decreased $35 \%$ this year and soybeans at 295,000 acres increased $2 \%$ compared with last year's plantings. Rye seedings, at 678,600 acres are down $1 \%$ while mixed grains at 1.7 million acres remain unchanged from 1967 sowings. Corn for grain acreage at 950,000 acres increased $8 \%$. Other crops showing increases in area from 1967 levels are: buckwheat (up 8\%); dry peas (up 12\%); dry beans(up 3\%) ;and fodder corn (up 4\%). Smaller acreages than in 1967 are reported for potatoes (down 1\%) ; field roots (down 5\%) ; and sugar-beets (down 3\%). The area in summerfallow, at 26.7 million acres, is $3 \%$ above that of 1967.

For Canada as a whole the area seeded to the sixteen spring-planted crops covered in this report is estimated at 53.6 million acres compared with 53.0 million acres in 1967. Total acreage of the sixteen spring-planted crops, together with winter wheat, fall rye, tame hay and summerfallow amounts to 93.6 milifon acres compared with 92.9 million last year.

Current estimates are subject to revision in the light of further information recefved during the season and when marketing and other check data become available after the end of the crop year.

## POPULATION

20. Population Population distributions from the 1966 Census by specified age groups and sex for all municipal subdivisions of counties (or census divisions) are shown in a special report released today. This report supplements the volume series of census reports on age, and provides figures for all organized municipalities regardless of size. The earlier series showed these data for municipalities of 10,000 and over only.

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